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DATE: September 30, 1983

MATTER OF:

Hyde Security Services, Inc.

## DIGEST:

GAO does not consider small business size status protests since by law conclusive authority over matter is vested in Small Business Administration.

Hyde Security Services, Inc. (Hyde), protests any award of a contract under request for proposals No. 13-NSTL-P-83-9, a small business set-aside, issued by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) for security services at the National Space Technology Laboratory. Hyde contends that Inter-Con Security Systems, NASA's first selection for award, and Gulf South, NASA's second selection, do not meet the small business criteria.

Under 15 U.S.C. § 637(b)(6) (1976), the Small Business Administration has conclusive authority to determine matters of small business size status for federal procurement purposes. Therefore, our Office does not consider size status protests. See Bid Protest Procedures, 4 C.F.R. § 21.3(g)(2), added by 48 Fed. Reg. 1932 (1983); Randall Manufacturing Company, Inc., B-211861, June 9, 1983, 83-1 CPD 640.

The protest is dismissed.

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